

Abstract

The invention relates to a process for disintegrating compressed bales of coarse, fiberlike, natural or synthetic materials, especially straw bales, and transporting the
5 disintegrated materials to further processing.

Bales often contain foreign objects which the invention removes from disintegrated bale material by moving the material disintegrated from the compressed bales to a feeding and collecting auger and sucking off the portions of natural or synthetic fiber intended for further processing from the feeding and collecting auger, while the contaminants collected
10 are moved on by the feeding and collecting auger and discharged.